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Transmitted herewith, on behalf of WNGM Television Partners, Limited ("WNGM"), licensee of WNGM(TV), Athens, Georgia, is an original and four copies of a <u>Petition for Rule Making</u>. WNGM respectfully requests that the Commission commence a rule making proceeding to amend Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules, to redesignate the "Atlanta-Rome, Georgia" market as "Atlanta-Rome-Athens, Georgia."

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned counsel should you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,

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Amendment of Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules to Include Athens, Georgia in the "Atlanta-Rome, Georgia"

In the Matter of

Television Market

MM Docket No. ____

To: Roy J. Stewart, Chief Mass Media Bureau

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

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SUMMARY

By the instant <u>Petition for Rule Making</u>, WNGM Television Partners, Ltd. ("WNGM") hereby requests that the Commission undertake a rule making proceeding to modify Section 76.51 of the Commission's rules. WNGM requests that the "Atlanta-Rome, GA" television market listed in Section 76.51 be redesignated "Atlanta-Rome-Athens, GA."

Hyphenation of the Atlanta-Rome market to include Athens will eliminate an anomalous situation in which Athens television stations are considered Atlanta stations for some purposes, and Athens stations for other purposes. Market hyphenation will equalize the existing competition between the Athens stations and the other Atlanta stations, so that WNGM can compete on a level playing field. WNGM fully satisfies the Commission's standard for market hyphenation. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a rule making proceeding be commenced to add Athens to the Atlanta-Rome, GA television market in Section 76.51.

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

WNGM Television Partners, Limited ("WNGM"), licensee of commercial television station WNGM(TV), Athens, Georgia, by its attorneys, hereby requests that the Commission undertake a rule making proceeding to amend Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules. WNGM respectfully requests that the Section 76.51 market of "Atlanta-Rome, Georgia" be modified to include Athens, Georgia. The resultant hyphenated market designation would become "Atlanta-

In its <u>Report and Order</u> released March 29, 1993, the Commission granted the request of TV-14, Inc. to amend Section 76.51 (RM-8016, MM Docket No. 92-295), thus changing the "Atlanta, Georgia" market designation to "Atlanta-Rome, Georgia." <u>Implementation of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 ("Report and Order")</u>, 8 FCC Rcd. 2965, 2978, n.149 (1993) [hereinafter "TV-14, Inc. Report and Order"].

Rome-Athens, Georgia." In support of this request, 2 the following is shown:

I. Standard for Market Hyphenation

The Commission has proclaimed that market hyphenation is based upon "the premise that stations licensed to any of the named communities in the hyphenated market do, in fact, compete with all stations licensed to such communities." See CATV-Non Network Agreements, 46 FCC 2d 892, 898 (1974). The hyphenation of markets "helps equalize competition" where stations do in fact compete for economic support, but portions of the market are located beyond the Grade B contours of some of the area stations." See Cable Television Report & Order, 36 FCC 2d 143, 176 (1972). With this purpose in mind, the Commission considers several factors to evaluate where market conditions exist which justify augmenting the hyphenation of the market:

(1) the distance between the existing designated communities and the community proposed to be added to the designation; (2) whether cable carriage, if afforded to the subject station, would extend to areas beyond its Grade B signal coverage area; (3) the presence of a clear showing of particularized need by the station requesting the change in market designation; and (4) an indication of benefit to the public from the proposed change.

WNGM has been informed by counsel for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission ("GPTC") that it will refile its Comments and Counterproposal of the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission ("Comments"), originally filed by GPTC in MM Docket No. 92-295 (Request by TV-14, Inc.), in support of WNGM's instant Petition for Rule Making.

Amendment of Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules to Include Clearwater, Florida, in the Tampa-St. Petersburg, Florida Television Market, 8 FCC Rcd. 5069, 5069 (1993).

II. Compelling Justification Exists to Add Athens, Georgia to the Atlanta-Rome, Georgia Market Designation

As evidenced by the facts surrounding the operation of WNGM, which is licensed to Athens, WNGM does in fact compete with Atlanta television stations. Market hyphenation is necessary to eliminate an existing anomalous situation, in which stations licensed to Athens are characterized as Atlanta stations for the purposes of programming and ratings, but treated as Athens stations for copyright and must-carry purposes. Given this dichotomous treatment, WNGM is relegated to an artificially inferior competitive position in a geographical area in which it does, in fact, compete with Atlanta stations.

A. The location of Athens places WNGM in direct competition with Atlanta television stations.

Downtown Athens is located approximately 58 miles from downtown Atlanta, and approximately 48 miles separate the city limits of each. Communities in similar proximity have been found to satisfy the criteria for market hyphenation. See, e.g., Request by TV-14. Inc. to Amend Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules to Include Rome. Georgia, in the Atlanta, Georgia Television Market ("NPRM"), 7 FCC Rcd. 8591 (1992) [hereinafter "Request by TV-14, Inc."]. In its decision in Request by TV-14, Inc., Rome, which is

Statements of fact relevant to WNGM are supported by the Declaration of Stephen Lanier Finch, Vice-President, General Manager of WNGM, included as Attachment 1 hereto.

56 miles from Atlanta, was added to the Atlanta market designation by the Commission's Report and Order in MM Docket No. 92-295. See TV-14. Inc. Report and Order, 8 FCC Rcd. at 2978, n.149.

Both of the two major television ratings services consider Athens and Atlanta to be located within the same television market. The close proximity of Athens to Atlanta has placed these two cities within the same Arbitron ADI. See Attachment 2, Arbitron Audience Estimates for Atlanta. Arbitron reports, which designate stations as either "Home," "Home Non-ADI" or "Outside" for each market, list WNGM as a "Home" station in the Atlanta ADI. Id. WNGM is also considered a local station in Nielsen's Atlanta, GA See Attachment 3, Table 4 of Nielsen Market Data Report. DMA. Nielsen includes the city of Athens, Georgia in its Atlanta DMA. Id. The DMA, in which Nielsen defines the local television market, includes Athens, even though Athens is not included in the Office of Management and Budget's MSA. Id. This fact indicates that Nielsen believes that Atlanta and Athens compete in the same local television market. Moreover, the 1993 Broadcasting and Cable Yearbook lists Athens parenthetically to the Atlanta market, so that the market is designated as the "Atlanta (Athens & Rome)" television market. See Attachment 4, Broadcasting and Cable Yearbook 1993.

B. Substantial overlap of the television stations' Grade B contours mandates competition between WNGM and Atlanta stations.

WNGM places a Grade A signal over the eastern and northeastern areas of Atlanta, as well as a Grade B signal over what is

essentially the eastern half of the Atlanta metro area. See Attachment 5, WNGM Coverage Map. These areas comprise much of what is locally referred to as the "Golden Triangle" area. The majority of residences are located in the Golden Triangle area, as other areas, such as the southwest side of Atlanta, are largely industrial or rural (and much more sparsely populated). Moreover, six of the nine Atlanta television stations blanket Athens with their Grade B signals. See Attachment 7, 1993 Station Coverage Atlas. Accordingly, these overlapping Grade B contours create vast areas in which WNGM must compete head-to-head with Atlanta television stations for viewership, ratings, programming and advertising dollars.

Even more significant, however, is the fact that six Atlanta stations are carried on the cable system in Athens. <u>See</u> Attachment 8, Athens Cable Line-Up. With the exception of two small cable systems, Scripps-Howard, serving North DeKalb County, and Gulf American Cable Corp. d/b/a Rural Cablevision in West Atlanta, WNGM is not financially able to secure carriage on the major Atlanta cable systems which operate in areas of WNGM's

WNGM has been considering modification of its facilities to install an antenna which would increase its coverage area. Such a modification would also result in increased coverage of Atlanta, as indicated in the map and engineer's statement provided in Attachment 6. In the event the Commission deems it necessary, WNGM will apply for and implement the antenna change as a condition to the market redesignation.

broadcast coverage. 5 The cable companies have requested reimbursement for additional copyright liability which would result from the carriage of WNGM, currently considered a "distant signal." See Attachment 10, Letter from Wometco Cable. Athens is not included in the Atlanta market designation on the Commission's Top 100 Market list in Section 76.51 of the Commission's Rules, and thus cannot take advantage of the expanded "local" zone which market hyphenation provides. The unequal competitive power WNGM is experiencing is ever more pronounced when cable coverage is considered, because, as indicated above, WNGM must compete against six Atlanta stations being carried on the Athens cable system, but WNGM is only transmitted by cable to only approximately 28,618 subscribers on the other Atlanta stations. See supra, footnote 5.

C. Great need exists for the addition of Athens to the Atlanta market, on a hyphenated basis.

An anomalous situation exists which places Athens television stations at a great disadvantage in competing with the other Atlanta stations. Because Athens is not included in the Atlanta market designation on the Commission's Top 100 Market list in Section 76.51 of the rules, it has effectively been "shut out" of cable carriage within what the two major ratings services classify

Scripps-Howard's North DeKalb County cable system serves only 27,432 subscribers. <u>See</u> Attachment 9, letter from Scripps-Howard Cable. Rural Cablevision in West Atlanta serves 1,186 subscribers. In comparison, the Nielsen Report indicates that 60% of the 1,475,000 TV households, or 885,354 households, subscribe to cable in the Atlanta DMA. <u>See</u> Attachment 3, Table 5, Nielsen Market Data Report.

as WNGM's own television market. Section 111 of the Copyright Act mandates the payment of copyright royalties by cable operators for the carriage of "distant" signals. Athens, however, is located outside of the "zone" in which copyright liability would not be The inclusion of Athens in the Atlanta-Rome market designation (on a hyphenated basis) would provide the needed basis for WNGM to be classified as a local signal for copyright purposes. Indeed, although the Copyright Office has currently pending a Notice of Inquiry proceeding to examine the impact of FCC amendments to Section 76.51 on the cable compulsory license (RM 93-5), the Copyright Office has traditionally adopted such amendments to the top 100 list. In fact, in the Comments of the National Association of Broadcasters (the "NAB"), the NAB states its belief that the "Copyright Office has never done anything other than to adopt FCC changes to Section 76.51." NAB Comments at 9. Thus, the addition of Athens on a hyphenated basis would provide great support in WNGM's efforts to be classified as a local signal for copyright purposes.

The Atlanta cable stations are unwilling to carry WNGM, absent indemnification against the increased copyright liability. WNGM has been informed by Wometco Cable Corp., the primary cable system operator in Atlanta, that it estimates increased copyright liability for the carriage of WNGM (for one year only) to be \$2,840,000. See Attachment 10, Letter from Wometco Cable. Wometco has indicated that it would carry WNGM, provided WNGM reimburses it for the increased copyright fees. Id. As a small independent

television station, such an expenditure simply is not feasible. Moreover, because television stations in Atlanta and Athens do compete in the <u>same</u> local television market for all other purposes, WNGM is artificially handicapped in its efforts to compete. As a result, the vast majority of Atlanta cable households are denied WNGM's unique programming.

The exclusion of Athens from the Commission's Top 100 Market designation for Atlanta has other serious and significant consequences for WNGM. For example, WNGM must compete directly with the other Atlanta market stations for television ratings, which in large part, determine advertising rates. For the purposes of syndication rights, WNGM is classified as an Atlanta station, and as a result, is constantly denied programming because another Atlanta station already carries the programming. Moreover, WNGM pays Atlanta rates for most of the programming it does receive. Because WNGM is considered an Athens station for some purposes and an Atlanta station for others, it is placed at a severe handicap in its efforts to ward off the competition that comes to it in Athens from Atlanta.

D. Addition of Athens to the Atlanta market designation would yield tremendous benefits to the public.

Viewers in both Atlanta and Athens would reap substantial benefits from a redesignation of the Atlanta-Rome market to Atlanta-Rome-Athens. WNGM currently broadcasts unique programming which is of interest and benefit to viewers in Atlanta. WNGM broadcasts nightly public affairs programming, which has focused on

Atlanta. For example, feature stories have aired covering the opening of the Georgia Dome in downtown Atlanta, and highlighting the 1996 Olympic Games which will be held in Atlanta. The weekly info-tainment program, "Entertainment Atlanta," which airs on WNGM, includes an on-going calendar of Atlanta events and activities.

WNGM broadcasts countless sporting events which receive little or no attention from the other Atlanta stations. WNGM has aired many University of Georgia ("UGA") sporting events. In 1992, WNGM covered 20 UGA baseball games and 5 UGA women's home gymnastics meets. In the spring of 1993, WNGM aired 20 UGA women's basketball games and all of the gymnastics meets. This coverage was of particular interest, as the UGA baseball team won the College World Series, the gymnastics team won the national championship and the basketball the Southeastern Conference team won championship. Other Atlanta stations primarily covered the championship games and meets. WNGM also covers UGA tennis, will be covering UGA volleyball this fall, and expects to begin coverage of UGA swim meets at some point in the future. Considering the fact that a majority of students and scores of alumni of the University of Georgia either come from or currently reside in Atlanta, 6 the appeal of UGA athletics is undeniable. WNGM has received the appreciation of UGA athletics staff in helping to make women's

For example, approximately 16,040 of the 28,000 fall of 1992 students at UGA reside within the Atlanta ADI, as do approximately 74,420 alumni. Of these, approximately 9,311 students and 42,135 alumni live in the four counties at the heart of Atlanta: Fulton, Cobb, Gwinnett and DeKalb. See Attachment 11, UGA Enrollment Statistics.

sports more visible. <u>See</u> Attachment 12, letter from UGA Athletic Association. The rich tradition of UGA sports is a vital part of the culture of Atlanta, as well as all of Georgia, and WNGM is establishing itself as a "flag-ship" for these activities.

WNGM does not only focus on collegiate athletics, but covers high school sports as well. WNGM covers the east-northeast Atlanta high-school teams on a regular basis, while together, the other Atlanta stations aired a solitary game last year--the state championship. WNGM covered all of the regular season, the playoffs, and even negotiated to carry the championship. WNGM devoted Christmas Day 1992 to airing high school athletic events. That day, WNGM showed three Northeast Georgia high-school basketball Christmas tournaments and in prime-time, the state high-school football championship. WNGM has also covered area youth soccer, and coverage of this event is planned to be expanded this year.

Another large part of WNGM's format is country music videos. This programming is of great interest and benefit to Atlanta viewers because the country-music format dominates the Atlanta radio ratings. Many of the day's "new country" stars are interviewed on WNGM, and Billboard Magazine has written WNGM up twice as a "future format." See Attachment 13, Billboard Magazine release. WNGM is considered a "pilot-station" for the record labels, as it always promotes new artists, unlike conventional airwaves, which are typically reserved for traditional top acts. WNGM's format is similar to Country Music Television (CMT) and the Nashville Network (TNN), but the format is more viewer-friendly.

WNGM is all request, tracking over 1400 calls daily, many from downtown Atlanta. Nowhere has the country music craze caught on like Atlanta, and WNGM provides the entertainment that the people in Atlanta genuinely enjoy. Recently, a four-level country music high-tech dance center was completed in Atlanta, the most expensive one in the country to date and currently the talk of the town. These types of places have been springing up repeatedly throughout this area for over two years, and the momentum does not appear to be slowing.

The public benefits from WNGM's unique programming, and the inclusion of Athens in the Commission's Atlanta television market will simply legitimize the programming Atlanta viewers can already receive off of the airwaves (and on one cable system) from WNGM. Market redesignation will also provide another public benefit. By eliminating the inconsistent treatment of Athens by the Commission on one hand, and the ratings services, copyright office and programmers on the other hand, WNGM will be able to compete on a level playing field with the Atlanta stations which pervade even the Athens market.

III. Conclusion

wngm clearly satisfies all of the Commission's criteria for having the Atlanta television market redesignated to include Athens. There is no doubt that the Atlanta and Athens television stations do in fact complete in the same television market. Indeed, the television ratings services have unequivocally indicated that Athens and Atlanta exist in a single television

market. WNGM respectfully requests that the Commission undertake a rule making proceeding, as contemplated by its Report and Order in MM Docket No. 92-259 (rel. March 29, 1993), to update the Top 100 market list to reflect the market reality: Athens is part of the Atlanta television market.

Respectfully submitted,

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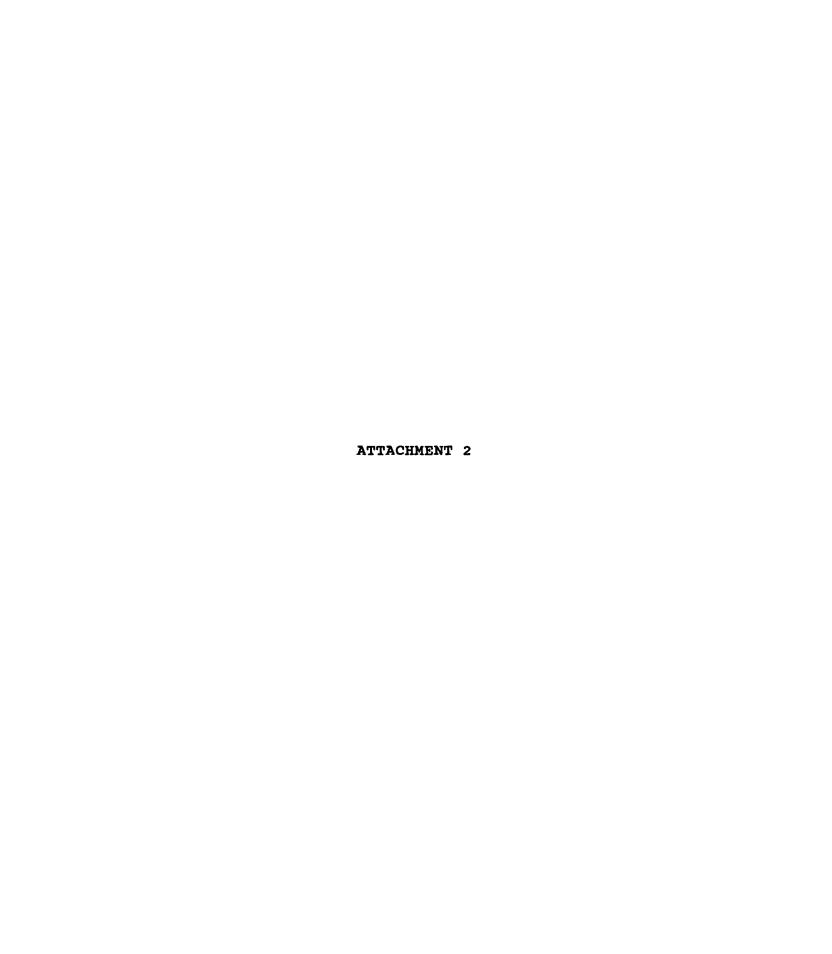
DECLARATION OF STEPHEN LANIER FINCH

- I, Stephen Lanier Finch, do hereby declare:
- 1) I am Vice-President and General Manager of Television Station WNGM(TV), licensed to Athens, Georgia. I have served in this capacity for $\frac{1/2}{2}$ years.
- I have read the foregoing Petition for Rule Making, and I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that the factual assertions relating to the operation of WNGM(TV) contained therein, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

10/8/93	

Date

Stephen Lanier Finch



Audience Estimates in the **Arbitron Market of**

Atlanta

Meter and Diary Measurement

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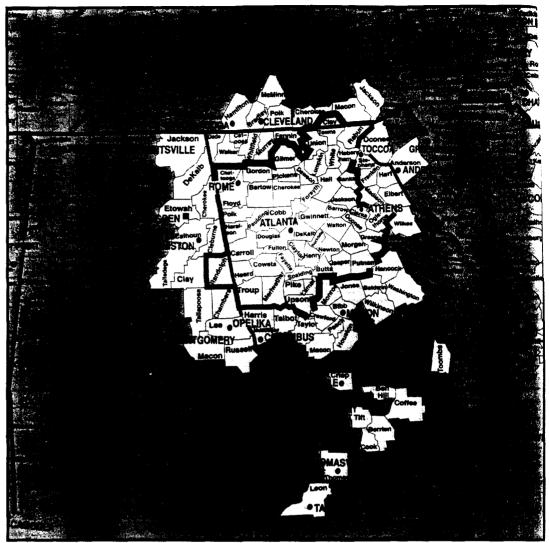
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1992-1993 Survey Dates

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November	Oct. 28 - Nov. 24, 1992
January	Jan. 6 - Feb. 2, 1993
February	Feb. 3 - Mar. 2, 1993
March	Mar. 3 - Mar. 30, 1993
May	Apr. 28 - May 25, 1993
July	July 7 - Aug. 3, 1993



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Estimates of Households in Market

	TSA	Pct TVHH	ADI	Pct TVHH	Metro Rating Area	Pct TVHH
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Television Stations

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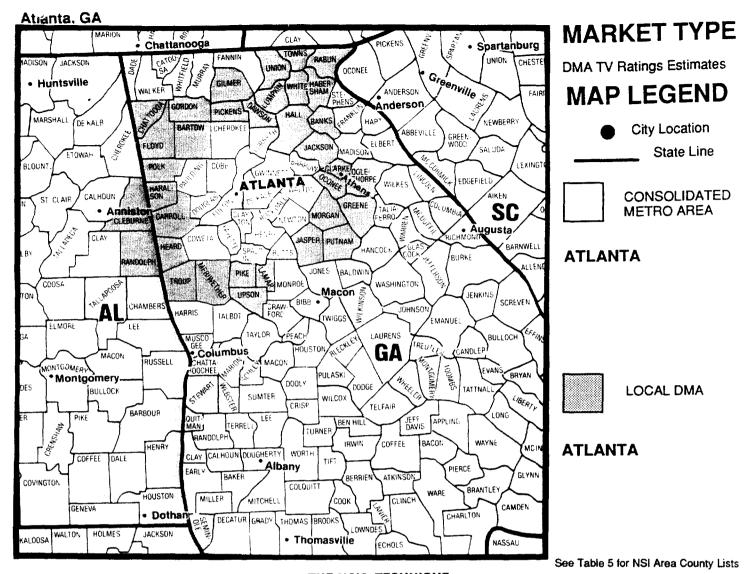
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C = CABLE CONTROL IMPLEMENTED

B=BLACK DIFFERENTIAL SURVEY TREATMENT IMPLEMENTED IN THIS COUNTY

ATTACHMENT 3



THE NSI® TECHNIQUE

INTRODUCTION

NSI techniques and procedures used in compiling the audience estimates in this Viewers in Pro-(VIPE) are described in the current edition of the NSI Reference Supplement. The user should refer to the Supplement for information regarding the sample plan, data reported, examples of standard error calculations, as well as for additional detail on other related topics inciuding those treated briefly below

The use of mathematical terms to express the audience estimates herein should not be regarded as a representation by Nielsen that they are exact to the precise mathematical values stated.

I THIS NSI ANALYSIS PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING **AUDIENCE ESTIMATES:**

WEEKLY CUMULATIVE AUDIENCES (Not Reach) -- By Daypart

- DMA Households: the total number of different TV households reached one or more quarterhours for the average week and for the 4 weeks of the current measurement period. Cumulative audience percentages for households are based on Meter records only
- Station Total Households: Weekly cumulative audience reported in thousands of households is for the average week of the latest all-market measurement period (Nov., Feb., or May)

AVERAGE QUARTER-HOUR AUDIENCES — By Daypart and/or By Quarter-Hour or Half-Hour

- HUT (Households-Using-Television): television households in the Metro/DMA Area with a TV set turned on as a percentage of Metro/DMA Area TV households
- PUT (Persons-Using-Television): persons in television households in the DMA that are viewing any station as a percentage of persons in DMA television households.
- Metro/DMA Area Rating: television households in the Metro/DMA Area tuned to a specific station as a percent of the Metro/DMA Area TV households. DMA ratings are also shown for selected persons categories.
- Metro/DMA Area Share: television households in the Metro/DMA Area tuned to a specific station as a percent of the Metro/DMA Area TV households with a set turned on.
- DMA In-Market Share: an estimate of the DMA household 4-week share of viewing received by a local commercial station in comparison to the other local commercial stations in the market. This estimate is only reported in the Daypart Section.
- Trend Guide Data: DMA HUT and Shares are provided for the a) Daypart and Time Period Sections where data are based on the same Daypart/Time Period for the indicated measurement periods (see column headings) and b) Program Audience Averages Section where data are recomputed based on the "normal" program time period in the current VIP for the indicated measurement periods (see column headings).
- Users are reminded that Trend Guide data are subject to variations due to several factors, such as sampling error and seasonal variations in television viewing. These factors, as well

- other considerations outlined in Section IV of this VIP should be recognized in using and companing data from several measurement periods
- Station Total Audience: total U.S. TV households reached
- Percent Distribution of Station Total Households: When Station Total Households are reportable in the Home market they are also shown distributed on a percentage basis between the Home Metro area, the Home DMA and up to three selected adjacent DMA's. Where applicable, ratings are also shown for the adjacent DMA's. These data are reported for all dayparts during all-DMA measurement cycles only.
- Audience Composition: in numbers of persons viewing and their distribution by the demographic categories shown - reported in terms of DMA Ratings and/or Projected Total
- Time Period Section: Audience estimates are shown (a) as 4-week averages for the dates shown on the cover (exclusions due to special events or other unusual circumstances, if any, are listed on Page 3), and (b) as program time period estimates excluding preemptions, if any. Such "pure" program audience estimates are reported for local stations only.
- Adjacent Quarter-Hour (1/2 hour) Awarages: The average of data for the current quarter-hour and the previous quarter-hour, reported for each time period break. Shown are DMA household ratings plus Station Totals for households and selected demographic categories
- DMA Weekly Ratings: DMA Household audiences reported for each week of the measurement on a program average time period basis.
- Program Audience Average Section: A retabulation of the program audiences (excluding preemptions where applicable). For a description of the rules and procedures for averaging audience data for this section, see the NSI Reference Supplement.
- Persons Share Section: Persons in the DMA tuned to a specific station as a percent of the DMA Persons-Using-Television (PUT) for this survey interval and three prior intervals.
- TV Households and Persons Trend Section: Households Using Television (HUT) and Persons Using Television (PUT) are trended for all-DMA measurement periods for this period and four prior years. Rating and Share data are summarized for local commercial stations.

To avoid the implication that the reported averages represent normal operating conditions at all times, a section on "Operating Notes" is included showing dates and times of unusual operating conditions as reported by the stations.

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Metro Area: the Metro Area is the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) as defined by the Office of Management and Budget brought to county line basis to include counties having over 50% in the absence of an established Metro Area, or where of their population in the Metro Area. In the absence of an establishment where Area in the absence of an establishment and the Metro Area may not represent the TV market(s) served by a group of TV stations, a group of counties may be substituted to serve this purpose. Such an area is titled (Continued on Inside Back Cover)

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TABLE 1 - UNIVERSE ESTIMATES - JAN. 1993							
	TOTAL	TV	TV HOL	Y COUNTY S	ize †		
AREA	HOUSEHOLDS	HOUSEHOLDS	Α	В	C	D	
METRO DMA	1.148.800 1.496.100	1.135.100 1.475.590 100	1.135 10 0		185.030	155.460	
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TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS are estimated by Market Statistics (MS), used by special permission of that organization. They are the base against which television ownership percentages have been applied TELEVISION OWNERSHIP PERCENTS are Nielsen estimates based on combining historical projections from the 1960 and 1970 Censuses with estimates from the NSI telephone interviews from a number of all market measurement periods.

HOUSEHOLDS ARE OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS. The household universe estimates shown in 1 are estimates of year-round households, i.e. housing units occupied year round Seasonal housing units which are occupied only during certain seasons of the year are not included in the Household Universe Estimates. Thus, the number of households during the survey period may differ from the estimate in Table 1.

See NSI Reference Supplement for definition of county size

TABLE 2 - PENETRATION ESTIMATES

	PERCENT OF TV HOUSEHOLDS							
AREA	BLACK	HISPANIC	MULTI-SET	CABLE TV	VCR %			
METRO DMA	25 22	2 2	73	61 60	79			

Multi-set estimates are based on the metered sample. Multi-set: Cable TV and VCR estimates are based on the latest available data. Black and Hispanic estimates are as of January 1, 1993. See NSI Reference Supplement for detail.

		DIARY SAMPLE(1)							
			LLY DESIGN		IN-TAB DIARY HOUSEHOLDS				
AREA	METER SAMPLE IN-TAB AVG.	LISTED	UNLISTED	TOTAL	LISTED	UNLISTED	TOTAL		
METRO DMA(INCL.METRO) NON-DMA NSI(INCL. DMA)	290 (EST'D) 377 (2) 377	1144 1506 1232 2738	815 991 587 1578	1959 2497 1819 4316	484 631 505 1136	288 343 186 529	772 974 691(3) 1665		

(1) The Non-DMA (Diary) sample is combined with the DMA meter sample for compiling Station Total households; the entire diary sample is used for Audience Composition data

(2) Yields an approximate equivalent simple random sample size of 736.
(2) + (3) NSI Area Station Total households herein are based on these in-tab samples and yield an approximate equivalent simple random sample size of 939

Equivalent simple random sample size is a term sometimes used for the statistical equivalent of the sample size for computing sampling errors or statistical tolerances.

For sample selection procedures in Total Telephone Frame markets, see NSI Reference Supplement

TABLE 4 - TELEVISION STATIONS

CITY OF ORIGIN	STATION	CHANNEL	AFFILIATION	
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(L) THIS LOCAL STATION IS REPORTABLE IN THE DAYPART SECTION ONLY (D) THIS OUTSIDE STATION IS REPORTABLE IN THE DAYPART SECTION ONLY

IN ADDITION TO THE REPORTABLE STATIONS SHOWN ABOVE. THE FOLLOW-ING STATIONS DRIGINATE IN OR ARE ASSIGNED FOR REPORTING PURPOSES TO THIS MARKET BUT OID NOT MEET THE MINIMUM REPORTING STANDARDS (SEE REPORTING STANDARDS, INSIDE BACK COVEN)

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TABLE 5 - TV HOUSEHOLDS AND IN-TAB DIARY HOUSEHOLDS BY SAMPLING AREA

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F SEE INSIDE BA .135 .100 .475 .590 .803 .470 NGA IN ADJACENT DMA'S IS NOT LIMITED TO NSI AREA COUNTIES: NE ABOVE LIST OF COUNTIES DOES NOT NECESSARILY REPRESEL FOR WHICH VIEWING OCCURS TO STATIONS IN THIS MARKET. BACK COVER FOR FURTHER STATION TOTAL AREA DESCRIPTION

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Initially, approximately 49% of the predesignated Atlanta DMA basic meter sample households are recruited and installed. For a typical report period, approximately 46% of the installed meter sample are predesignated households. SPECIAL NOTICE:
Station Total Audiences (000) for WTBS-TV are reported herein on geography limited to the counties comprising the NSI Area as listed in Table 5 above. This geography limitation applies also to the WTBS Adjacent DMA data as shown in the Daypart section. The NSI Area for Atlanta comprises the counties listed above (Table 5) and accounts for virtually 95% or more of the average quarter-hour total household audience. 9:00AM-12:00MD for all local stations except WTBS. See Section II on the inside cover of this analysis and Section A.1.A. of the NSI Reference Supplement for NSI Area description, station total households and related. Except for WTBS station total audience estimates during all-market measurement periods are compiled on a quarter-hour basis - whether from within or outside the NSI Area - and are not affected by geographical considerations. geographical considerations

Audience estimates are computed separately for each week. Reported multi-week averages are the Audience estimates are computed separately for each week. Reported multi-week averages are the average of the appropriate individual week audience estimates. Some of the above counties may have been combined for projecting individual week audience estimates. Viewing among the households in the in-tab sample for all counties that are combined are projected to the Total TV Households for the combined counties. These county groupings are available upon request.

M = Metro County: D = Designated Market Area County (for definition see Section II).

** The DMA meter sample currently approximates 420 television households in which meter equipment is installed. 439 households (including households replaced during the survey period) provided records meeting. Nielsen, accuracy atandards during one or more days of this survey interval including 377 households on the average individual day.

† See NSI Reference Supplement for explanation of MRS Territory and County Size.

^{*} NSI Claim: Independent Station | IF = Independent Fox Network Affiliate | IF = Independent Station | IF = Independent | Independent | IF = Independent | IT = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | Independent | It = Independent | It = Independent | Independent |

